

Redmond's Community Centers



Our community values facilities and programs that provide places to build relationships across neighborhoods and cultures, opportunities for growth, and healthy lifestyles. The City's efforts to meet these needs are often impacted by lack of capacity or lack of desired amenities.

Locations: Redmond Senior Center, Old Fire House Teen Center, Old Redmond School House Community Center and the Hartman Park Pool

Project Phase: Planning & Stakeholder Input

Estimated Timeline: 2016 - and beyond

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Challenges:

- The Redmond Senior Center needs renovations, mechanical systems replacement, and expansion to accommodate growth in programs.
- The Old Firehouse Teen Center has failing structure and mechanical systems.
- The Lake Washington School District (LWSD) will be remodeling the Old Redmond Schoolhouse for preschool programs. Our current lease agreement with LWSD will end effective June 2018 to allow for renovations.
- Hartman Park Pool was built 44 years ago and is currently on maintenance "life support".

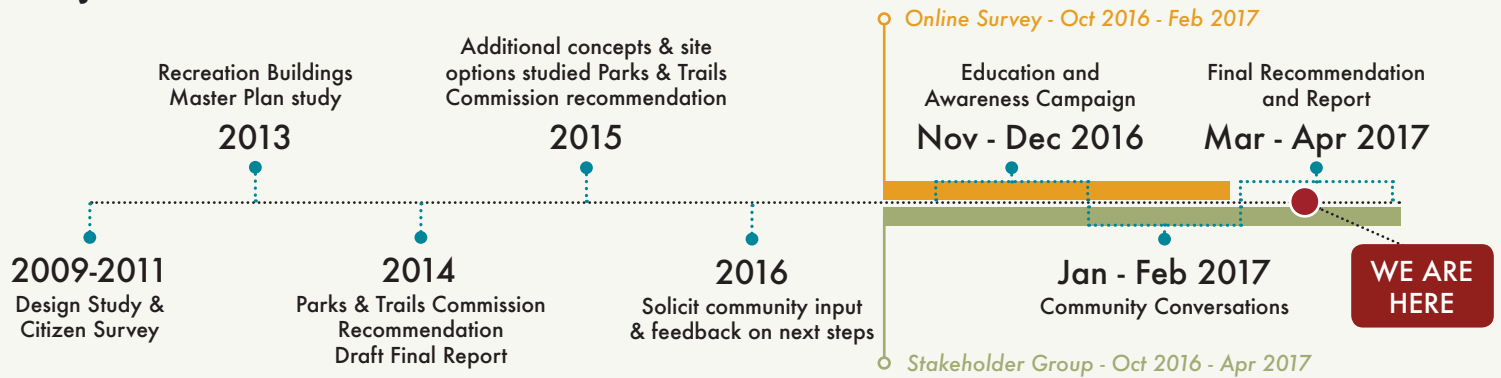
Opportunities:

- Revise the Interlocal Agreement with LWSD to include shared spaces, operations policies, and potentially programming.
- Continue coordinating with King County and other Eastside cities on a possible regional partnership for aquatics facilities.
- Evaluate the benefits of capital and operating partnerships with other agencies and non-profit groups.
- Expand services for community members, who seek different amenities and facilities for fitness, lifelong learning, cultural arts and events, and gathering spaces.



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Project Timeline:



Action Items:

In October 2016, the City began a public engagement effort and convened a stakeholder group with a third-party facilitator. The goal was to understand community members' values and make recommendations on priorities for amenities and center types, location for new facilities, potential partnerships, and funding strategies. This robust outreach and engagement effort has just been completed. Data and recommendations on how to move forward will be summarized in a report and presentation to City Council on April 11, 2017.

Project Costs:

To be determined, based on community feedback and further study.

Recent Activities:

- During the Study Session on February 9, 2016, Council approved up to \$100,000 in funding for limited repairs to the Redmond pool at Hartman Park.
- Since the approval of the LWSD bond on April 26, 2016, the City of Redmond has been working collaboratively with the district on the proposal to repurpose the Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center for a district preschool program, as we phase out of our current lease in June 2018.
- In summer 2016, limited repairs of pool boiler controls and other equipment were completed in an effort to provide pool "life support".
- In fall 2016, launched www.redmondscommunitycenters.com website and online survey. Using information meetings, the online survey, tabling events, and intercept surveys, we received input from 3,500 community members.

What's Coming Next:

- Summarize and share data and recommendations in April.
- Develop strategies to fulfill the community's and City Council's recommendations.



Get Involved:

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